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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a four (4) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action of June 6, 1997. A check in the amount of \$1,510.00 is enclosed.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Response to Restriction Requirement, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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